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(57) Abstract:

PURPOSE: To make it possible to easily operate this portable electronic equipment by a single hand and to relax restriction to the size and thickness of a housing by arranging a display means and an input means on the front and rear of the housing, respectively.

CONSTITUTION: A portable information terminal has a computer system 111 in a housing, a display means 110 and a pen input tablets 113 on the front face of the housing 11, a projection part 17 of the housing 11 and compact track ball 14 and input buttons 15, 16 protruded from the housing 11 on the back face of the housing 11, and a battery 18 and a hand-writing input pen 19 are stored in the projection part 17. Since the input means are arranged on the back face of the housing 11, a large display area can be secured on the front face and input operation can be executed while holding the housing 11 by a single hand. Since the projection part 17 is arranged on a prescribed position, a protruded input device can be used and the recognition of the position of the input device and input operation can be easily executed on the back face.

